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PATENT APPLICATION

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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Inventor(s): Paily T. VARGHESE et al.

Confirmation No.: 9914

Application No.: 09/964,306

Examiner: A. Q. Edwards

Filing Date: 09/26/2001

Group Art Unit: 2835

Title: MODULAR AC INPUT SECTION FOR A POWER SUPPLY UNIT

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Commissioner for Patents

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) 37 CFR 1.114

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under CFR 1.114 of the above-identified applicaiton.

NOTE: 37 CFR 1.114 is effective on May 20, 2000. If the above- application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under CFR 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

Submission under 37 CFR 1.114

() Previously submitted:

() Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on _____.
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

() Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____.

() Other _____.

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For:	Modular AC Input Section	§	Docket No.:	200302283-1
	For A Power Supply Unit	§		

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Mail Stop RCE
Commissioner for Patents
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Date: August 14, 2003

Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination ("RCE") following the Final Office Action dated May 22, 2003. The Examiner is requested to enter the following amendments and consider the accompanying remarks. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Prior to examining the claims in this continuation application, please amend the claims as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

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